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SIGMA CHAPTER REPEATS AS #1! RECEIVES EDISON L. BOWERS AWARD FOR 2000-2001

For the second consecutive year, the Sigma Chapter has been awarded the **Edison L. Bowers Award for the most outstanding chapter** in the country by the Grand Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma. This marks the seventh time in the last nine years that Sigma has received the coveted Bowers Award. In addition, Sigma Chapter received five other awards and two Black and Gold Awards. Two individual members of Sigma Chapter were also recognized for outstanding achievement.

These awards were given at the **2001 Annual Management Conference of Gamma Iota Sigma** held from April 5-8 in Atlanta, Georgia hosted by the Zeta Chapter at Georgia State University. Faculty advisor Dr. R.B. Drennan and 29 Sigma Chapter officers and officers-elect attended the conference.

Matthew Holtz, Vice President of Alumni Affairs, received the Microsoft/Elizabeth Lange Scholarship and **Christopher Armstrong**, National Student Representative, was recognized for his outstanding achievement on the Executive Committee of Gamma Iota Sigma.

The conference also included a presentation by **J. Gary Meggs**, risk manager for the **Southern Company**, and corporate presentations by **Travelers** and **CIGNA**. Students at the conference were given the opportunity to network with industry professionals as well as attend chapter management workshops throughout the weekend. In all, over 180 students attended from 20 individual chapters, making it one of the largest Gamma Iota Sigma Conferences ever.

H. WAYNE SNIDER LECTURE SERIES

RONALD E. ADAMS

USI MID-ATLANTIC

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT – SALES & MARKETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2001

TUTTLEMAN 101

11:40-12:30

Ron currently holds the position of Senior Vice President of Sales and Marketing for USI's Mid-Atlantic office. In addition to executive oversight of the sales and marketing process, Mr. Adams is a member of the executive management staff, who provides leadership to the Mid-Atlantic office and the Northeast Region.

Mr. Adams has over 17 years of insurance industry experience, which includes sales, management and underwriting with both agencies and carriers. Prior to USI, Mr. Adams was Vice President of Corporate Underwriting at ACE/CIGNA in Philadelphia, where he was responsible for new product and business development for all domestic operating divi-

*The Sigma Chapter also won
the following awards:*

Black & Gold Award

*How to Effectively Manage Chapter
Public Relations*

by Vahan Parechian & Antonio Antunes

Black & Gold Award

*How to Increase Participation
Among Actuarial Science Students*

by Kirk Locker & Lee Pang

The Gamma Iota Sigma Scholarship

The Public Relations Award

The Alumni Relations Award

The Membership Development Award

Chapter Management



FEATURED SUMMER INTERN MAYUR PATEL



Year: Senior

Majors: Risk Management & Insurance, Finance and Economics

Company: American International Group (AIG)

Business: Property and Inland Marine Insurance

Location: Center City Philadelphia

Position: Underwriting Intern

Description: Assisted Property and Inland Marine underwriters with daily business operations. Extensively worked on Flood Zone determinations and internal policy audits.

Best part of internship: By learning from professionals, I gained a lot of respect for the insurance industry.

How did you get this internship?: Gamma Iota Sigma's internship reception and resume book rules! Each helped me network with a wide variety of companies such as AIG.

Advice to others: Talk to the interviewers and get a detailed description of the internship program. Remember you want to get the most out of your internship, so pay attention to the day-to-day duties.



Committee Meetings

Industry Relations: Monday, April 16, 11:40-12:30, Speakman 213

Public Relations: Monday, April 16, 11:40-12:30, Speakman 214

Alumni Affairs: Monday, April 16, 11:40-12:30, Speakman 113

Fundraising: Thursday, April 12, 2:40-3:30, Gamma Office

Student Affairs: Friday, April 13, 11:40-12:30, Speakman 212

Actuarial Science: Monday, April 9, 12:40-1:30, Speakman Coffee Lounge

Management Information Systems: Monday, April 16, GIS Office, 11:40-12:30

FEATURED COMMITTEE: FUNDRAISING

The **fundraising committee** plays a vital role in ensuring that the Sigma Chapter provides the highest quality of professional development to its members. Since member dues cover only a portion of total expenses, the committee's main responsibility is to assist in garnering corporate and alumni donations needed to fund Gamma Iota Sigma activities and services to its members, such as interview workshops

and resume book printing. Committee members perform various tasks, including sending letters and contribution forms to potential alumni and industry donors, recording contributions, and updating fundraising contact information. In addition, members with particularly well-developed communication skills may also take part in calling potential

donors. For more information about this committee, please contact:

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REMINDER ABOUT IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS!

Gamma Iota Sigma Annual Dinner
Saturday, April 21
Doubletree Guest Suites

Annual Awards for Excellence Luncheon
Monday, April 23
Mitten Hall

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9	10	11 Ronald E. Adams Senior Vice President USI Mid-Atlantic 11:40 - 12:30 Tuttleman 101	12	13